NORTH BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP | MINUTES....

REGULAR MEETING November 18, 2019

A regular meeting of the North Brunswick Township Council was held on Monday, November 18, 2019 at 7:01 p.m. in the Municipal Complex located at 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey.

Mayor Womack called the meeting to order.

Roll call:

Present: Messrs. Lopez, Andrews, Davis, Socio and Guadagnino

Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mr. Corbin

Ms. Russo announced that the notice requirements of the law have been satisfied. Notices were sent by certified mail on January 2, 2019 to the following:

a) The Home News Tribune b) Star Ledger c) North Brunswick Sentinel

Notice receipts are on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office. Also, notices were posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Complex and filed in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

Lou Ann Benson led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance

Also present: Business Administrator Kathryn Monzo, Township Attorney Judy Verrone, Esq., Director of Parks, Recreation & Community Services Lou Ann Benson, Director of Department of Public Works Eric Chaszar, Director of Community Development Michael Hritz, Municipal Clerk Lisa Russo and Administrative Secretary Marilu Ruiz.

Mayor Womack asked council members if any items are to be removed from the Consent Agenda. Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve *items* 4a. – 4m. on the consent agenda. Motion made by Mr. Davis to approve items 4a – 4m. On the agenda, second by Ms. Guadagnino

Consent Agenda

- a. NJ State Fireman's Association Application /John A. Toro / Fire Co. #2
- b. 298-11.19 Establishing Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services Program Fee 2019
- c. 299-11.19 Authorizing the application and acceptance of a Federal Grant from the State of New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety
- d. 300-11.19 Authorizing and confirming the appointment of Andrew Heuer to the position of class II special Law Enforcement Officer
- e. 301-11.19 Authorizing the sale of Abandoned Vehicles
- f. 302-11.19 Authorizing the acceptance of the sale of auctioned abandoned motor vehicles
- g. 303-11.19 Authorizing a Change in Scope to the 2019 Professional Service Agreement with T&M Associates appointed to provide Water/Wastewater Consulting Services to increase the authorization for General Consulting Services
- h. 304-11.19 Authorizing an Agreement with Trillium, Inc. To provide Environmental Consulting Services in the Soil Remediation Litigation as an E.U.S.

i. 305-11.19 Amending Contract BID16004 with IT Network Solutions for Network Infrastructure Consulting and Support Services

j. 306-11.19 Authorizing a credit to Township Residents for their Water-Sewer Utility Account

k.307-11.19 Authorizing a Contract with Altice (Cablevision Light path, Inc.) For hosted telephone services

1. 308-11.19 Bill List

m.309-11.19 Authorizing the submittal of a grant application for the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) Local Freight Impact Fund 2020 for Corporate Road Improvements

Roll call:

Present: Messrs. Lopez, Andrews, Davis, Socio and Guadagnino

Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mr. Corbin

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve item #5a. on the agenda <u>Approval of Special Council Meeting Minutes / October 29, 2019 so</u> moved by Mr. Davis, second by Mr. Andrews.

Roll call:

Present: Messrs. Lopez, Andrews, Davis, Socio and Guadagnino

Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mr. Corbin

Ordinances/First Reading/Introduction:

#19-27 - An Ordinance of the Township Council of North Brunswick amending and fixing the salary and wages for various officials and employees of the Township of North Brunswick and providing for the manner of payment thereof

Mayor Womack called for a motion to introduce Ordinance # 19-27, So moved by Mr. Davis second by Mr. Socio reading and public hearing to be held at regular meeting on December 2, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Municipal Complex, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey. Following, legal publication in the November 21, 2019 issue of the Home News and Tribune as according to the law. This ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex and copies are available upon request.

Roll call:

Present: Messrs. Lopez, Andrews, Davis, Socio and Guadagnino

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Corbin

Reports from Mayor, Council, Administrator, CFO

Mayor Womack Congratulated the North Brunswick High School Football team.

Mr. Socio announced Winter fest on December 2nd and some of the activities that will be provided by the DPRCS, The Mat Raider Wrestling Team, and the Pancakes and Pajamas Holiday breakfast event

Saturday December 7th, at the Green Turtle Restaurant. (See Attachments) of upcoming Holiday activities.

Mayor Womack opened the Public Hearing at 7:07 p.m.

Ron Rivers- Spoke about Energy Renewable CCA in New Jersey. He explained the program to the Mayor and Council and how the communities using CCA programs are giving their residents a real opportunity to receive cleaner energy for residents all over the state. Councilman Andrews asked about ordinances, and if New Brunswick had used a Consulting Company and spoke about charging stations. (See Attachment on Renewable CCA in New Jersey)

Resident Junior Amero- Spoke on the Energy Renewable and the Quick Fact Sheet. Mr. Davis asked about prices and contracts. Mr. Andrews mentioned the Wind Farm Design 2008. Mayor Womack asked Clerk Lisa Russo to put this topic on next agenda for discussion.

(See Attachment on Renewable CCA in New Jersey)

Hillary Bertha-Said she came to support on the Energy Renewable program.

Resident Tony Nastus—Asked about an update on 497 Georges Rd., Business Administrator Kathy Monzo told Mr. Nastus that she does not have any updates yet. Mr. Nastus mentioned that Mr. Combs house has been sold and wanted to know if the Church is exempt of taxes. Ms. Monzo told him she will check on the status of the taxes on the recorded deed. Mr. Nastus reported that on 777 Adams Lane there is boat on a trailer parked with no plates. Mr. Nastus also, wanted to know if the owner on 3 Edgewood was sent a letter, has the owner on Thalia Road been notified about the garbage, the fire hydrant being covered with garbage and grass and about the verbal communication warning given to the owner on Newton Street. The Director of Community Development explained that Thalia Rd. is a naturally wooded area and the property owner is not responsible for clean up. Mayor Womack asked DPW Director Eric Chaszar to check on the fire hydrant to make sure it's accessible. Mr. Nastus requested a meeting with Business Administrator Kathy Monzo on Friday November 22nd.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to close the Public Hearing, so moved by Mr. Socio second by Mr. Davis.

Roll call:

Present: Messrs. Lopez, Andrews, Davis, Socio and Guadagnino

Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mr. Corbin

Adjourn 7:32 PM

Lisa Russo Municipal Clerk